

Photo on p. 17 in BLHS Bulletin, January 2015

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to BLHScurmudgeon

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Dear Jim:

Yes, the photo at the bottom of page 17 in the *BLHS Bulletin* for January 2015 was taken in Carbondale: at the north end of the office section of the D&H Roundhouse.

We have an original print of the photo in the archives of the Carbondale D&H Transportation Museum. All of the people in the photo are identified in a caption that came with the photo when it was donated to us. We can send you the identifications if you would like them.

The photo, we believe, was taken at the time of the retirement of Morris Elwin Blocksidge, who was the D&H Master Car Painter / Foreman of the D&H Paint Shop in Carbondale. He is the guy in the middle of the three men on the step in the front row. He was born in 1883 and died in 1949.

You will be interested to learn that we have published six D&H DVDs in Carbondale in recent months.

One is called "ALCo Thunder Returns to Carbondale" (videos of former D&H ALCo engines now part of the Delaware-Lackawanna fleet in service in Carbondale).

The other five DVDs are a comprehensive and very detailed history of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Gravity Railroad in the nineteenth century. (five DVDs, about 2,000 pages, lots of photos and maps).

Additional information on these six DVDs at www.carbondalehistorical.org

Thanks.

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